



*Carl Steinfeldt Sr. ~ 1974*

1974

-4-

CARL STEINFELDT, Sr.  
44 Ridgcrest Road  
Rochester, New York, 14626  
Tel. (716) 225 4191

One of the all-time great pitchers of the world, Carl can boast of victories of, both State and World level, over just about every top pitcher at one time or another. He was inaugurated into the National Hall of Fame almost at its inception; an honor which is shared by him being a 'charter member' of the New York State Hall of Fame at Pulaski, N.Y., in 1974.

Among his spectacular accomplishments, Carl has won the New York State title a total of eighteen times, (up to and including 1974), finished second a total of eight times, and was runner-up in the World championships twice. He was the National Eastern champion for a total of six times, and in 1967 was the North American Champion. His World Tournament runner-up titles came in 1964 and 1974.

With Elmer Hohl, of Canada, Carl holds the world record for "4-deads" with each player throwing 15 consecutive,.....a total of 30 consecutive ringers each. In other words, 60 consecutive shoes found their way around the stake before either missed!

Starting some 40 years ago, Carl entered his first State tournament in 1934 where he placed 13th. Today he is one of about a half dozen players who is capable of maintaining an 80% average.

He is the designer of the "American" shoe, and his well-arched  $1\frac{1}{4}$  turn, gripped way down by the heel-caulk is even more noticeable since Carl pitches left-handed.

A complete resume of his New York State performances is listed on the reverse side of this sheet.

A grinder operator for the Rochester Products Company, Carl is married, and he and his wife Beatrice, (who works for Kodak Co.), are the parents of 2 children, Carl Jr., and Betty who have also been seen on the courts trying vainly to reach Carl's pinnacle of success.

	<u>NEW YORK STATE RECORDS</u> (tournament average)	(running percentage)
1939:	64.2%	64.2%
1940:	72.4%	68.3%
1950:	72.2%	69.6%
1951:	72.1%	70.2%
1952:	78.5%	71.9%
1957:	76.5%	72.7%
1958:	76.1%	73.1%
1960:	81.1%	74.1%
1962:	82.2%	75.0%
1964:	80.8%	75.6%
1965:	76.6%	75.7%
1966:	76.5%	75.8%
1967:	84.4%	76.4%
1968:	80.6%	76.7%
1969:	78.8%	76.9%
1970:	79.6%	77.0%
1971:	82.1%	77.3%
1973:	87.5%	77.9%
1974:		

It is interesting to note that Carl's running percentage has increased at every step along the way.

Another record of note lies in the fact that Carl's overall percentage, in the winter tournament at the Heritage indoor courts in Sutton Massachusetts, was higher than the highest game ever pitched there. It was 87.5% as compared to the 86.0% game record held by Riox of New England. In this match, Carl had 3 games of over 90%, with the rest being in the high 80%'s.

The City of Rochester, as well as the State of New York should be very proud of Carl, and the Hall of Fame committee, and the pitchers throughout the State wish him every continued success in his chosen sport.

Carl Steinfeldt  
44 Ridgcrest Road  
Rochester, N.Y.

Carl Steinfeldt, already a member of the National Horseshoe Pitchers Hall of Fame, is one of the all-time great players of the world.

Carl won his first New York State Championship in 1939 and has held this title for a total of eighteen times: 1939-40, 1950-52, 1957-58, 1960, 1962, 1964-71, 1973. He finished 2nd a total of eight times.

In major tournaments Carl Steinfeldt took the Eastern National title six times, and in 1967 was crowned North American Champion. For many years Carl has been one of the top competitors in the championship class of the World Tournament. He placed 2nd in the tournament twice, 1964 and 1974. With Elmer Hohl, he holds the world record for consecutive "four deads" at 15 (that is, both players made ringers with their two shoes for 15 straight frames...30 ringers each).

Carl started pitching many years ago, and in 1934 (40 years ago) entered his first New York State Tournament where he placed 13th. Now he is one of the top half dozen world ranked players who can average over 80%.

Carl pitches a shoe of his own design and make... "The American"... using a well arched  $1\frac{1}{4}$  turn, gripped way down by the heel calk. He is a left-hander and hails from Rochester, N.Y.

---

NEW YORK STATE RECORDS

Highest Ringer Average One Game

Carl Steinfeldt - 1967 - 41-42 - 97.6

Highest Ringer Average One Tournament

Carl Steinfeldt - 1973 - 87.5

Most Shoes Pitched One Game

Carl Steinfeldt - 1954 - 146  
Tom Brownell

Most 4 Dead One Game

Carl Steinfeldt - 1954 - 38  
Tom Brownell